

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
DECEMBER 23, 2014**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, December 23, 2014, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Sander then called the roll:

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| Mayor Terry Seitz | Present |
| Board member Timothy Bell | Present |
| Board member David Prechtel | Present |

Also present were Police Chief J. Michael Bennett, Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey, and City Attorney Renee Kabrick. Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm was absent.

Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Sander announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. All three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 9, 2014. Thereafter, a motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to adopt the minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

CLAIMS

Board members reviewed the claims from December 12, 2014 through December 22, 2014. Thereafter, a motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Mayor Seitz to approve the claims as distributed. Motion carried 3-0.

BLOCK PORTION OF MERIDIAN ROAD at HEMLOCK

Mayor Seitz stated that a request had been received from Mark Weyer of Morton Buildings to block a portion of Meridian Road near the intersection of Hemlock today, December 23, 2014, in order to unload building materials. Weyer felt it might be too wet to unload on the property, therefore, he wanted

permission to unload the building materials from the road. They will have a flagger and appropriate signage to ensure safety.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to allow Morton Buildings to unload building materials from the street on December 23, 2014. Motion carried 3-0.

HIRE TRAFFIC SAFETY AUXILIARY OFFICERS

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett requested that three traffic auxiliary officers be hired. He recommended giving a conditional offer of employment to Jamison Denning, Rebecca Hutton, and Nick Hoffman and keep the remaining two applicants on a list for 24 months.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to offer a conditional offer of employment to Jamison Denning, Rebecca Hutton, and Nick Hoffman for the position of Jasper Police Department Traffic Safety Auxiliary Officer, and keep the remaining two applicants for the Traffic Safety Auxiliary Officer position on an active eligibility list for 24 months. Motion carried 3-0.

Mayor Seitz acknowledged receipt of the Police Department's monthly activity report.

PROMOTE FIREFIGHTER

Fire Chief Kenny Hochgesang requested that Jason Eckstein be promoted to lieutenant, effective January 1, 2015, to replace Lieutenant Tim Vogt, who is retiring effective December 31, 2014.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to promote firefighter Jason Eckstein to lieutenant, effective January 1, 2015. Motion carried 3-0.

REPORTS

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang said he distributed a copy of the department's fuel and maintenance report as well as the code enforcement report.

SNOW PLOW QUOTES

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle said he sought quotes for a Meyer C-8.5 steel snow plow with rubber snow deflection kit and a Meyer EZ Mount Plus mounting system. City Attorney Renee Kabrick opened the following quotes.

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| Meyer Truck Equipment | \$6,479.00 |
| Meyer Truck Equipment | \$4,250.00* |
| Elpers Truck Equipment LLC | \$5,198.47 |
| Central Parts Warehouse | \$4,703.06 |

*Exception-quote on Western 8 ½' Pro Plus snowplow-does not meet specs

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to permit the street department to review the quotes and if it meets the specifications, accept the low quote from Central Parts Warehouse. Motion carried 3-0.

SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM QUOTES

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle reported on the review of quotes for a security/surveillance camera system for the street department area. Brian Scott, of Technology Dynamics, a contracted City of Jasper technology expert, reviewed and compared the quotes that were submitted and taken under advisement at the December 9, 2014 meeting. Mr. Scott has recommended that the low alternate quote received from Video Tech of Jasper be accepted in the amount of \$17,305.93.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to follow this recommendation and accept the alternate base quote from Video Tech in the amount of \$17,305.93. Motion carried 3-0.

REPORTS

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle reported upon the review of quotes for the one ton truck, the low quote from Ruxer Ford has exceeded all specifications.

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle reported upon the review of quotes for the grinding of trees & limbs for the Resource Recovery Site, the low quote from Brewer Farms Inc. has met all specifications.

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle reported upon the review of quotes for the audio/visual equipment, the low quote from Audio World has met all specifications.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:17 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved _____ with X without corrections or clarification this 13th day of January, 2015.

Mayor Terry Seitz, Presiding Officer

Attest: _____
Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer